Municipal bodies are losing heavily on account of girls and also ...ing taken of this power.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 18.

Amendment of Section 40 of the Mysore Municipal Regulation, No. VII of 1906.

Messrs. U S. Siva Rao and S. Manjiah, Chikmagalur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Section 40 of the Municipal Regulation, No. VII of 1906, may be amended so as to permit the Municipal Boards to effect sales of immovable property, especially vacant sites, within their limits when the estimated value thereof does not exceed Rs. 200 without the previous sanction of Government.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 19.

Amendment of Savings Bank Act.

Messrs. U. S. Siva Rao and S. Manjiah, Chikmagalur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Government Savings Banks Act, No. V of 1873, provides for the payment of deposits belonging to the estates of the deceased persons. It does not make any provision for the payment of deposits when the deceased depositor is only a manager of a Hindu coparcenary or of a company and the amount in deposit belongs to such coparcenary or company. The Act may be kindly so amended as to make necessary provision for the same.

Mr. H. Krishnappa opposed the prayer.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.

SUBJECT No. 20.

Amendment of the Savings Bank Regulation.

Mr. C. Vamana Rao, Nagar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Certificates of Succession are not required when deposits of less than Rs. 1,000 standing in the names of deceased persons in Government Savings Bank are to be paid to their heirs. In all other cases, Certificates of Succession are insisted upon for payment of the amounts standing in the accounts of deceased depositors. Cases in which persons of undivided family apply for amounts standing in the accounts of deceased depositors by right of survivorship and are required to apply for Succession Certificates nevertheless, may be exempted from stamp fee.

Reply of Government.—The question has been decided already. Cannot be done.

SUBJECT No. 21.

Limitation Act to be amended.

Messrs. Madappa and Siddappa, Mysore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that Section 92 of the Limitation Act be amended.

Reply of Government.—The correct meaning was explained to him.

SUBJECT No. 22.

A Regulation for controlling Kabulees, etc.

Mr. C. Narasimhiah, Mysore District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The Kabulees, Beluchees and Kandharies do much mischief and harm to the raiyat population and cheat the public. It is necessary to frame a Regulation for the control of such rowdy characters and their trade within the State.

The member added that some kind of license should be instituted under which these wandering gangs may be

confined to certain areas for trading purposes. He remarked that the Gang Rules are insufficient as one or two police constables cannot control the gang and that action is being taken in Calcutta to keep them under control.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 23.

Amendment of the Breach of Contract Act.

(*a*) Messrs. C. Vamana Rao, Basappa and Mylarappa. Nagar taluk; K. Chikmallappa, Gundlupet taluk; and Dorasawmy Iyengar, Chamrajnagar taluk.
(*b*) Messrs. Kesavadasa Iyengar and Kesava Char, Belur taluk. Messrs. Subba Setty and Sannegowda, Manjarabad taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The Breach of Contract Act may be made to apply to cases in which labourers from South Canara receive advances from landholders in the Malnad and abscond without fulfilling their engagements. Offences under this Act may be made extraditable.

(*b*) With a view to get coolies to work in the coffee estates in Mysore, mestries from the neighbouring British Territory are being employed by the estate owners. In many instances these mestries demand and take large advances on the plea of fetching coolies. But when they fail to act according to the contract, by stopping away in their homes in British Territory, there is no law at present by which they could be enforced to come back for work, etc. This involves great loss and trouble to the planters. Pray, therefore, that the Breach of Contract Act be made extraditable.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 24.

Loading of carts.

Messrs. M. Subba Rao and Syed Rahim Sab, Heggaddevankote taluk.

Summary of discussion.—At present carts are being loaded with logs out of all proportion to the strength of the bullocks yoked to them. While this causes great hardship to these animals, the travelling public are also put to much inconvenience, as these carts get broken and are left on the roadside. It is prayed that a Regulation be passed fixing the quantity of load that may be put into carts according to the strength of the bullocks yoked.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 25.

Crackers to be excluded from "Explosives."

Mr. K. Ramanna, Hole-Narsipur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—According to the recent decision of the Chief Court, crackers are included among "Explosives" and as such cannot be kept without a license according to law. As boys are in the habit of using them almost every day for play, the Law may be so modified as to definitely exclude crackers and similar articles from the term "Explosives."

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 26.

Measures to minimise drunkenness in the State.

Messrs. H. V. Rangaswami, Hassan taluk, Mahomed Imam Sab and Subba Rao, Tarikere taluk, and Kalle Gowda, Mudgere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Having regard to the growing evil of drunkenness among certain sections of the population, especially the agricultural and labour classes, it is desirable that the Government be pleased to introduce local option or local veto, reduction in the number of hours during which the shops are open, the